Statement

1.	Patna	3864
2.	Ranchi	57
3.	Sasaram	425
4.	Chapra	410
5.	Dhanbad	50
6.	Hazaribagh	232
7.	Muzaffarpur	37
8.	Saharsa	—
9.	Munger	90
10.	Darbhanga	464
11.	Katihar	35
12.	Dumka	90
13.	Bhagalpur	166
14.	Motihari	115
15.	Arrah	120
16.	Jamshedpur	1596
17.	Gaya	274
	Total	8025

Financing of Renewable Energy Development Programme

2600. SHRI YELLAIAH NANDI : Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank is encouraging private companies to finance renewable energy development in countries like India and Indonesia to build global carbon markets to contain environmental changes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (CAPT. JAI NARAIN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) to (c) The World Bank under it's Photovoltaic Market Transformation Initiative (PVMTI), has proposed to finance through its private sector window, International Finance Corporation, projects in India, Kenya and Morocco to accelerate the development and commercialisation of Photovoltaic (PV) technology for carbon abatement. A grant of US$ 30 million has been approved by Global Environment Facility (GEF) for the first phase of the project, out of which US$ 15 million have been earmarked for projects in India. International Finance Corporation (IFC) is to finance the projects directly to private sector. Government of India has already endorsed the initiative.

In addition, a World Bank assisted "India Renewable Resources Development Project" is under implementation through Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency to finance Wind Power, Small Hydro Power and Photovoltaic Projects in the country. The World Bank has sanctioned a loan of US $ 115 milliion from International Development Association and a grant of US$ 26 million from GEF for project. The project is scheduled to be completed by December, 1999.

Expansion of Sri Chitra Thirunal Hospital

2601. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA : Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any expansion programme for Sri Chitra Thirunal Hospital, Trivandrum; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) and (b) The Sree Chitra Thirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum has envisaged a number of expansion programmes in its Ninth Five Year Plan for its Hospital Wing. The programmes include new initiatives in cardiology, strenthening of interventional cardiological programme, the establishment of a Paediatric Cardiac Unit, Upgradation of Vascular and Thoracic Surgery Unit, Epilepsy Care Programme, Neuromuscular Disorders, Speech, Language and Cognitive Disorders Unit, replacement of X-ray equipment with image intensifier and television system and Non-invasive vascular laboratory, digitisation of Radiology Unit, upgradation of MRI facilities, etc.

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Relaxation to Private Power Producers

2602. SHRI DATTA MEGHE : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) the projects in Maharashtra and National Capital territory of Delhi wherein the private power producers are proposed to be given relaxations;

(b) whether any directions have been issued by the Union Government to the State Governments in this regard; and